



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Chakraborty, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 2123

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Examiner: Eduardo Garcia Otero

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING FINE-GRAINED  
TRANSFORMS DURING PLACEMENT SYNTHESIS INTERACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: